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Section 1 Amendments to the Claims

In the claims:

- {Currently Amended} A hand gesture device, comprising a pliable artificial hand with
 an attachment apparatus at the end of the wrist opposite the fingers, said attachment
 apparatus being suitable for connection to a trailer hitch on a motor vehicle; wherein
 said device is comprised of material that is weather resistant and wind resistant; and,
 wherein said device is capable of being set in position and holding said position
 indefinitely while remaining attached to said trailer hitch, even during operation of said
 motor vehicle.
- 2. {Original} The hand gesture device of claim l, further comprising a skeleton of stiff, yet bendable material.
- {Original} The hand gesture device of claim 2, wherein said bendable material comprises metal wire.
- 4. {Original} The hand gesture device of claim 2, wherein said bendable material comprises one-quarter inch aluminum armature wire.
- {Currently Amended} The hand gesture device of claim l, wherein said device is composed substantially of polymeric plastic material covering a skeleton of metal wire.
- {Original} The hand gesture device of claim 5, wherein said plastic material comprises a silicone rubber-based compound.

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- 7. {New} The hand gesture device of Claim 1, further comprising:

 an interior skeletal structure, said interior skeletal structure being made up of a
 rigid palm plate and a plurality of bendable digits extending therefrom;
 said skeletal structure being encased in a pliable material,
 wherein the hand gesture device resembles a human hand and the plurality of
 digits are capable of being set in various positions and remaining held in position
 indefinitely after being set therein;
 wherein said palm plate has a hitch connection means extending from said palm
 plate and through said pliable material; and,
- 8. {New} The hand gesture device of claim 7, wherein said hitch connection means

consists of a thin walled round tube capable of fitting securely within a receiver hitch

gesture device to the receiver hitch opening of a motor vehicle.

wherein said hitch connection means is capable of removably securing the hand

- 9. {New} The hand gesture device of claim 7 wherein said hitch connection means consists of two angle members said angle members being screwed to said palm plate and being capable of fitting securely within a receiver hitch opening.
- 10. {New} A hand gesture device for motor vehicles, comprising:
 - a. an interior skeletal structure, said interior skeletal structure being made up of a rigid palm plate and a plurality of bendable metal digits extending therefrom; and
 - b. said skeletal structure being encased in a polyurethane material, wherein the hand gesture device resembles a human hand and the plurality of metal digits are capable of being set in various positions and being held in position indefinitely;
 - c. wherein said palm plate has two angle members being screwed to and extending from said palm plate and through said pliable material;
 - d. wherein said hitch connection means is capable of removably securing the hand gesture device to the receiver hitch opening of a motor vehicle.

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11. The hand gesture device for motor vehicles of claim 10, wherein the skeletal structure that has been encased in polyurethane is enclosed by a second layer of thermal plastic rubber.

- 12. {New} The hand gesture device of Claim 10, further comprising:
 said skeletal structure being encased in a thermal plastic rubber material, wherein the
 hand gesture device resembles a human hand and the plurality of metal digits are
 capable of being set in various positions and being held in position indefinitely.
- 13. {New} The hand gesture device of claim 10, wherein said hitch connection means consists of a thin walled round tube capable of fitting securely within a receiver hitch opening.
- 14. {New} The hand gesture device of claim 10, wherein said hitch connection means consists of two angle members said angle members being screwed to said palm plate and being capable of fitting securely within a receiver hitch opening.
- 15. {New} A hand gesture device for motor vehicles, comprising:
 - a. an interior skeletal structure, said interior skeletal structure being made up of a rigid palm plate and a plurality of bendable metal digits extending therefrom; and
 - said skeletal structure being encased in a polyurethane material, wherein the hand gesture device resembles a human hand and the plurality of metal digits are capable of being set in various positions and being held in position indefinitely;
 - c. wherein said palm plate has two angle members being screwed to and extending from said palm plate and through said pliable material;
 - d. wherein said hitch connection means is capable of removably securing the hand gesture device to the receiver hitch opening of a motor vehicle.

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- 16. {New} The hand gesture device for motor vehicles of claim 15, wherein the skeletal structure that has been encased in polyurethane is enclosed by a second layer of thermal plastic rubber.
- 17. {New} The hand gesture device of Claim 15, further comprising:
 said skeletal structure being encased in a thermal plastic rubber material, wherein the
 hand gesture device resembles a human hand and the plurality of metal digits are
 capable of being set in various positions and being held in position indefinitely.